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TWO KC RESIDENTS INDICTED ON CHILD PORN-RELATED CHARGES

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two Kansas City, Mo., residents were indicted by a federal grand jury today, in separate and unrelated cases, on charges related to child pornography.

* **Stephen C. Foster**, 41, of Kansas City, was charged in a three-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Foster** received child pornography over the Internet on Oct. 21, 2001.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Foster** was in possession of child pornography on Oct. 24, 2001.

Count Three of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Foster** to forfeit to the government any property used to commit the alleged offenses, including three computers, four computer hard drives, two Netgear 4-port hubs with power supplies, 19 floppy disks and one CD-R disk.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Curt Bohling. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department..

* Rose H. Beatty, 22, of Kansas City, was charged in a five-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Beatty** attempted to distribute child pornography over the Internet between Nov. 8, 2001, and May 24, 2002.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Beatty** attempted to receive child pornography over the Internet between Nov. 8, 2001, and May 24, 2002.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Beatty** was in possession of child pornography between Nov. 8, 2001, and May 24, 2002.

Count Four alleges that **Beatty** made a false material statement in a matter within the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigations. According to the indictment, **Beatty** falsely claimed that she had never seen certain identified images of child pornography and that she had never sought out child pornography sites on the Internet.

Count Five of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Beatty** to forfeit to the government all property used to commit the alleged offenses, including a Hewlett Packard CPU and a Doxport.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in these indictments are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States
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